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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : David Goldsteen et al.
Application No.: 09/955,244 Confirmation No.: 1651
Filed : September 17, 2001
For : MEDICAL GRAFTING METHODS AND APPARATUS
Group Art Unit : 3731
Examiner : Michael H. Thaler

New York, New York 10020
August 29, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the March 30, 2005 Office Action.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time for response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2005. With the extension, a response is due on or before August 30, 2005. The Director is authorized to charge the fee for the two-month extension of time to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 (Order No.: 000293.0002).

In response to the Office Action, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this

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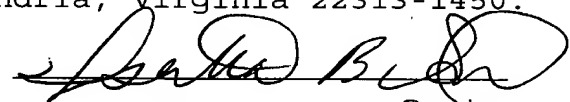
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